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Follow-up to and Implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the Declaration of Barbados[1] and the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States,[2] the Mauritius Declaration[3] and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States[4] and the Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Johannesburg Plan of Implementation),[5] including chapter VII on the sustainable development of small island developing States,

Recalling the outcome document of the high-level review meeting on the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Bridgetown, Barbados, 25 April-6 May 1994* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.94.I.18 and corrigenda), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

[2] Ibid., annex II.

[3] *Report of the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.05.II.A.4 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex I.

[4] Ibid., annex II.

[5] *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August-4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 2, annex.

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Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, held in New York on 24 and 25 September 2010,[6]

Reaffirming the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012, entitled "The future we want",[7] including the call for the convening in 2014 of a third international conference on small island developing States,

Recalling its resolutions 67/206 of 21 December 2012, 67/207 of 21 December 2012, 67/290 of 9 July 2013, 68/1 of 20 September 2013, 68/6 of 9 October 2013 and 68/238 of 27 December 2013, and its decision 67/558 of 17 May 2013,

Taking note of the Leaders' Declarations of 2012 and 2014, adopted at the meetings of the Heads of State and Government of the Alliance of Small Island States held in New York on 27 September 2012 and in Apia on 1 September 2014, respectively,

Welcoming the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, held in Apia from 1 to 4 September 2014, and its adoption of the Small Island Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (Samoa Pathway),[8]

Expressing its satisfaction that the Conference and its preparatory process provided for the active participation of all States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies, observers and various intergovernmental organizations, including the funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, as well as civil society, the private sector and the major groups representing all the regions of the world,

Welcoming the partnerships announced at the Conference by Governments, international and regional organizations, the private sector, civil society and major groups,

Welcoming also the inaugural meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, held in New York on 24 September 2013, and looking forward to the future meetings of the forum, at which adequate time shall be devoted to the discussion of the sustainable development challenges facing small island developing States,

Recognizing that it is crucial to mobilize resources from all sources for the effective implementation of the Samoa Pathway,

Expressing its profound gratitude to the Government and the people of Samoa for the excellent facilities, staff and services provided and arrangements made in hosting the Conference, and for the hospitality extended to the participants,

Expressing its appreciation to the Secretariat of the United Nations, including the Secretary-General of the Conference, the specialized agencies, the United Nations regional commissions, funds and programmes, and partners as well as those countries that contributed to the Trust Fund for Small Island Developing States, for their contribution to the success of the Conference,

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[6] Resolution 65/2.

[7] Resolution 66/288, annex.

[8] *Report of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, Apia, Samoa, 1-4 September 2014* (A/CONF.223/10), chap. I, resolution I, annex.

Expressing its appreciation also to the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference,

Stressing that the development options of small island developing States are limited, recognizing the special case of small island developing States and the challenges they face in planning for and implementing sustainable development, and recognizing also that they will continue to be constrained in meeting those challenges without the cooperation and assistance of the international community,

Recognizing the special challenges and needs of small island developing States, many of which are not on track to achieve the Millennium Development Goals by 2015,

Reaffirming the need to mainstream sustainable development at all levels, integrating economic, social and environmental aspects and recognizing their interlinkages, so as to enable small island developing States to achieve sustainable development in all its dimensions,

Having considered the report of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States,[9]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;[10]

2. *Reaffirms* the outcome document of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States, the Small Island Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (Samoa Pathway),[8] and urges its speedy implementation;

3. *Welcomes* the renewed commitment of the international community to take urgent and concrete action to address the vulnerability of small island developing States and to seek additional solutions to the major challenges facing them in a concerted manner to support the implementation of the Samoa Pathway;

4. *Urges* Governments and all relevant international and regional organizations, United Nations funds and programmes, the specialized agencies, regional commissions, international financial institutions and the Global Environment Facility, as well as other intergovernmental organizations and major groups, to take timely actions to ensure the effective implementation of and follow-up to the Samoa Pathway;

5. *Calls upon* the international community to assist small island developing States in the implementation of the Samoa Pathway, including by integrating its provisions into their national policies and development frameworks;

6. *Calls upon* all partners to integrate the Samoa Pathway into their respective cooperation frameworks, programmes and activities, as appropriate, to ensure enhanced predictable and targeted support to small island developing States;

7. *Urges* the full and effective implementation of the commitments and partnerships announced at the Conference and the fulfilment of the provisions for the means of implementation, as contained in the Samoa Pathway;

8. *Decides* that the small island developing States partnership framework to be established should be open and adaptable to the priorities and realities of small

[9] A/CONF.223/10.
[10] A/69/319.

island developing States and ensure effective follow-up to their partnerships, in particular the new ones launched in Samoa, with the ability to include new small island developing States partnerships in support of their sustainable development as set out in the Samoa Pathway;

9. *Recalls* paragraphs 116 to 120 of the Samoa Pathway, and requests the Joint Inspection Unit to provide recommendations to assist the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session in determining the parameters of a comprehensive review to ensure a coherent and coordinated approach by the United Nations system to further improve and strengthen its overall effectiveness and delivery with respect to small island developing States and the implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action,[2] the Mauritius Strategy for Implementation[4] and the Samoa Pathway;

10. *Also recalls* paragraph 121 of the Samoa Pathway and the need to give due consideration to the priorities of small island developing States in the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda;

11. *Decides* to devote one day at future meetings of the high-level political forum to addressing the sustainable development challenges facing small island developing States and the follow-up to and implementation of the Samoa Pathway;

12. *Requests* the United Nations system to mainstream the Samoa Pathway into its work programmes;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its seventieth session a report on the implementation of the present resolution;

14. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session, under the item entitled "Sustainable development", a sub-item entitled "Small Island Developing States Accelerated Modalities of Action (Samoa Pathway) for the follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States".